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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in this application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1-2 (*canceled*).

3 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, further comprising anti-skid particles attached to or integral with said outer protective layer.

4 (*canceled*).

5 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, where said upper surface of said fabric bears a primer layer derived from a composition comprising an acrylic resin or a urethane resin.

6 (*canceled*).

7 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, where said fabric matrix is woven.

8 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, where said fabric matrix is non-woven.

9 (*currently amended*). The article of claim 19, where said fabric matrix includes filaments or fibers, ~~said filaments or fibers optionally being treated prior to incorporation into said fabric matrix.~~

10 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 9, where the fibers or filaments comprise polyaramids, polyesters, polyolefins, or polyanides.

11 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, where said fabric matrix has a thickness of about 0.005 cm to about 0.05 cm.

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12 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, where said adhesive layer has a thickness of about 0.005 cm to about 0.025 cm.

13 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19, where said outer protective layer has a thickness of about 2 mils to about 15 mils.

14-18 (*canceled*).

19 (*currently amended*). A multilayer graphic article comprising:

- a) a transparent outer protective layer,
 - b) an outer adhesive layer, optionally protected by a release liner, and
 - c) disposed between said outer layers, a fabric matrix comprising upper and lower surfaces and bearing on its upper surface a printed image, ~~at least one of said upper and lower surfaces optionally bearing a primer layer,~~
- wherein said outer protective layer is disposed on and directly contacts said printed image and wherein said outer adhesive layer is directly disposed on said lower surface of said fabric matrix.

20 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19 wherein said lower surface of said fabric bears a primer layer derived from a composition comprising a latex or polyurethane.

21 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19 wherein said outer protective layer comprises a polyurethane.

22 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 21 wherein said polyurethane is provided from an aqueous dispersion.

23 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 21 wherein said outer protective layer further comprises an acrylic or epoxy component.

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24 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 19 wherein said outer protective layer comprises a textured upper surface.

25 (*previously presented*). A multilayer graphic article comprising:

- a) a transparent outer protective layer comprising a textured upper surface,
- b) an outer adhesive layer, optionally protected by a release liner, and
- c) disposed between said outer layers, a fabric matrix comprising upper and lower surfaces, said upper surface bearing a primer layer derived from a composition comprising an acrylic or urethane resin, said lower surface bearing a primer layer derived from a composition comprising a latex or polyurethane, said primed upper surface of said fabric bearing a printed image,

wherein said outer protective layer is disposed on and directly contacts said printed image and wherein said outer adhesive layer is directly disposed on said primed lower surface of said fabric matrix.

26 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 25 wherein said outer protective layer comprises a polyurethane, said polyurethane optionally being provided from an aqueous dispersion.

27 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 25 wherein said outer protective layer further comprises an acrylic or epoxy component.

28 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 25 wherein said outer protective layer further comprises anti-skid particles attached to or integral therewith.

29 (*previously presented*). The article of claim 25 wherein said outer protective layer has a thickness of from about 7 to about 8 mils.